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TAGS: PGOV, PFOR, ELTN, GW, GE, WB  
SUBJECT: NEGOTIATIONS ON IMPROVING BERLIN TRANSIT  
ROUTES

REF: USBERLIN 683

1. NEGOTIATIONS ON GDR PROPOSALS OF DECEMBER 1974 FOR  
IMPROVEMENT OF BERLIN TRANSIT ROUTES WHICH FRG PERMREP  
GAUS HAS BEEN CONDUCTING WITH VARIOUS GDR OFFICIALS OVER  
PAST FEW MONTHS HAVE BEEN ADJOURNED FOR SUMMER. GAUS  
RECENTLY TOLD SENAT CHANCELLERY CHIEF HERZ THAT IF HE WERE  
PERMITTED TO NAME MAXIMUM AMOUNT FRG WILLING TO PAY FOR  
IMPROVEMENTS TO HIGHWAYS, RAILWAYS AND FOR REOPENING OF  
TELTOV CANAL, NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE CONCLUDED WITHIN  
THREE-WEEKS.

2. HERZ HAS TOLD US THAT IF ALL OF PROJECTS PROPOSED  
BY GDR WERE UNDERTAKEN, TOTAL COST WOULD BE DM 4 BILLION.  
FRG SHARE MIGHT BE DM 2 BILLION, WHICH WOULD INCLUDE  
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LUMP-SUM PAYMENT FOR TRANSIT TRAFFIC. HERZ DOUBTED,

FRG WOULD AGREE TO ALL PROJECTS. HE SAID THAT BONN SEES NO NEED, FOR EXAMPLE, IN DOUBLE-TRACKING RAIL LINE TO HAMBURG SINCE DOUBLE-TRACKED HELMSTEDT ROUTE ADEQUATE FOR PRESENT AND FUTURE NEEDS. EXCEPTION MIGHT BE OPENING UP OF RAIL CROSSING POINT IN WEST BERLIN SUBURB OF STAAKEN, WHERE SOME DOUBLE-TRACKING NECESSARY. FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ACCORDING TO HERZ WAS NOT INTERESTED IN PAYING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO SCHWANNHEIDE FREIGHT STATION.

3. WHEN NEGOTIATIONS ARE RESUMED NEXT SEPTEMBER, HERZ

BELIEVED AGREEMENT WOULD BE FW@4P#BE9?.KA:; "T

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